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25X1 foreign trade agreements with capitalistic countries by order of the
SCC [redacted] and goods scheduled for capitalistic countries,
under these agreements, would be shipped to the USSR as reparation de-
liveries.

25X1 [] Comment. Other information indicated that the DWV is subordinate to the SED Central Committee which is said to hold all shares. Contrary to previous reports, the DWV is not under the control of the Ministry for Foreign and Interzonal Trade or the GSA branches. []

25X1 [REDACTED] The DWV is said to cover unofficial foreign trade, i.e., illegal business transactions with western countries, and like other similar firms such as Meletex is engaged in purchasing goods which cannot be procured by official foreign trade agencies. Available information indicated that the foreign currency policy of member countries of the Council for Mutual Economic Assistance would be subjected to central control and that, in connection with this measure, the Ministry for Foreign and Interzonal Trade was instructed by the Council to cancel a considerable number of agreements with western commercial partners as not being in conformity with the foreign currency control regulations issued by the Council. The measure referred to may be due to this decision. No confirmation on this decision of the Council as well as the cancellation order is yet available, however.

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